



AT A  
GENERAL COURT

*Held at Boston the 3<sup>d</sup> of May*

1676

**F**Or defraying the Charges already expended upon the Warre, and other Charges arising in the further prosecution thereof, It is Ordered by this Court and the Authority thereof, that there shall be ten single Countrey Rates forthwith assessed, and collected according to Law, to be paid in specie as formerly, and to abate one quarter part to any that shall pay money. Also that the Select Men be allowed and impowered to rate such by Will and Doom as are known to be men of ability, whose estates in a great measure lye out of the reach of the Law being undiscovered, without abatement on account of any mans paying for importation of Goods, and in case of aggrievance by over-valuation, relief be to given to such in such a way as the Law provides: Provided, that such frontier Towns as are considerably weakned in mens Persons or Estates by the Enemy, be allowed a meet abatement of their proportions in the Rates, their Conditon being by their Deputyes or others appointed, represented to this Court at their next Sessions: And where any Persons in any of the Towns have disbursed for the publick relating to the Warr, they shall be allowed and paid the same out of the Rates of such Towns where they dwell, and that this shall be in the room of all bills for assessing of Rates passed this Sessions of Court.

By the COURT *Edward Rawson* Secr.